

ACIP Provisional Recommendations for the Use of Zoster Vaccine

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On October 25, 2006, the ACIP made policy recommendations for use of live, attenuated varicella zoster virus vaccine for prevention of herpes zoster (shingles) and post-herpetic neuralgia.

Provisional recommendations for prevention of herpes zoster and post-herpetic neuralgia

- A single dose of zoster vaccine is recommended for adults 60 years of age and older whether or not they report a prior episode of herpes zoster. Persons with chronic medical conditions may be vaccinated unless a contraindication or precaution exists for their condition.
- Contraindications and precautions to use of zoster vaccine are available at <http://www.fda.gov/cber/label/zostavaxLB.pdf>